IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Ryoichi SHIMOI et al.

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CELL AND FUEL CELL

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 27, 2009, Applicants hereby elect Species H, Fig. 14, for prosecution in the subject application. Claims 8, 9, 10, and 13 read on Species H.

Applicants, of course, reserve the right to file a divisional application covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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